

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1661  
ANSWERED ON:07.03.2001  
AGITATION BY CSS  
HANNAN MOLLAH

**Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Central Secretariat staff are agitating for long for proper status in service;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have received memorandum from the associations and letters from the MP's in this regard;
- (d) if so, details thereof; and
- (e) the measures being taken/ proposed to be taken to redress their grievances?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS  
PENSIONERS WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUNDH,  
RAJE)

(a)to(d) : Yes, Sir. This Department has received large number of references from Hon'ble Members of Parliament and a large number of memoranda from CSS Forum and other association(s) broadly raising major demands as given in the annexed statement.

(e) : All these issues have been considered by the Government. Some of the demands were also considered by the Fifth Central Pay Commission and were not recommended in the report. Further, Government has decided to set up a Committee of senior officers to look into the cadre structure of Central Secretariat Service.

**ANNEXURE**

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a)to(d) of LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1661 FOR ANSWER ON 7.3.2001.

**List of Demands**

- (i) Upgradation of pay scales of Section Officers and Assistants to Rs.8000-13500 and Rs.6500-10500 respectively;
- (ii) In-situ promotion to all eligible Assistants, Section Officers, Under Secretaries and Deputy Secretaries while restoring Assistants' eligibility to three years as stipulated in the general instructions of Establishment Wing of DOP&T;
- (iii) In order to regularise the in-situ Under Secretaries/Deputy Secretaries all the General Central Services (GCS) posts equivalent to the Under Secretary/Deputy Secretary grade in different Ministries be encadred with CSS.
- (iv) 320 posts [@ 40 per year] which were filled by other services for want of regular panel in Deputy Secretary grade should be given to CSS at the rate of 80 posts per year instead of 40 for outstanding panels from 1993-2000;
- (v) The cadre review of CSS, which has not been done for the last 40 years, be done immediately and for this purpose a CSS officer of the rank of Additional Secretary be posted;
- (vi) The Open Pass facility be restored to the Assistants immediately;
- (vii) The posts of Deputy Secretary/Director should be filled up only by CSS officers;
- (viii) Specific number of posts in the grade of Joint Secretary and above should be earmarked for proper representation of CSS in this cadre. In this regard, the three years eligibility for promotion for the CSS officers be restored;
- (ix) Time bound issue of panel/time bound holding of DPC be ensured in different grades;

(x) A non-functional selection grade on the pattern of Group `A` services be introduced in CSS;

(XI) Section Officers and Assistants be redesigned as Assistant Secretary and Examining Officer/Processing Officer respectively.